Final Report

Majority Voting Mechanical Feedback Servoactuator for the Saturn S-IV B

Performed Under

NASA Contract NAS8-11634

by

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

Contract NAS8-11634 was awarded to Moog Servocontrols, Inc. on July 6, 1965. The scope of work was defined as follows: "The contractor shall design, develop, fabricate, test and deliver two (2) each servoactuators of the same configuration and meeting the same basic requirements as the Moog Model 17-189 S-IV B servoactuators. These actuators shall employ redundancy techniques to improve reliability."

The following sections describe the successful fulfillment of the contract objectives.

2.0 SUMMARY

The design, development, fabrication, test and delivery of two servoactuators to the basic S-IVB requirements has been completed. These actuators employ redundancy by a technique known as "majority voting." Thru the use of this technique, pertinent output characteristics remain essentially unchanged in consequence to a single failure in any one of the three channels employed. Maximum null offset (due to a failure in a single channel) on the servoactuators built under this contract was less than 4%. This compares very favorably with an initially stated goal of less than 5.0%. The results of testing and evaluating indicate that these limits could be maintained in production thru the use of existing production set-up and test techniques.

Simulator tests indicated adequate performance to the S-IV B requirements. Performance remained adequate with the introduction of simulated failures. Temperature testing to 275°F likewise indicated no adverse performance characteristics.

The observed characteristics of the servoactuators developed under Contract NAS8-11634 are very encouraging with respect to providing redundancy in a servoactuator. In order to evaluate the servoactuators fully, under failure conditions, a larger analysis and test program (than that covered by this contract) is required. Accordingly, an additional contract, NAS8-11998, has been awarded to Moog. This contract covers a reliability analysis, a computer analysis, and an actual induced (not simulated) failure test program.

The following sections describe the actuator design and contain data from tests conducted on the majority voting servoactuators.

3.0 DESIGN DESCRIPTION

3.1 General

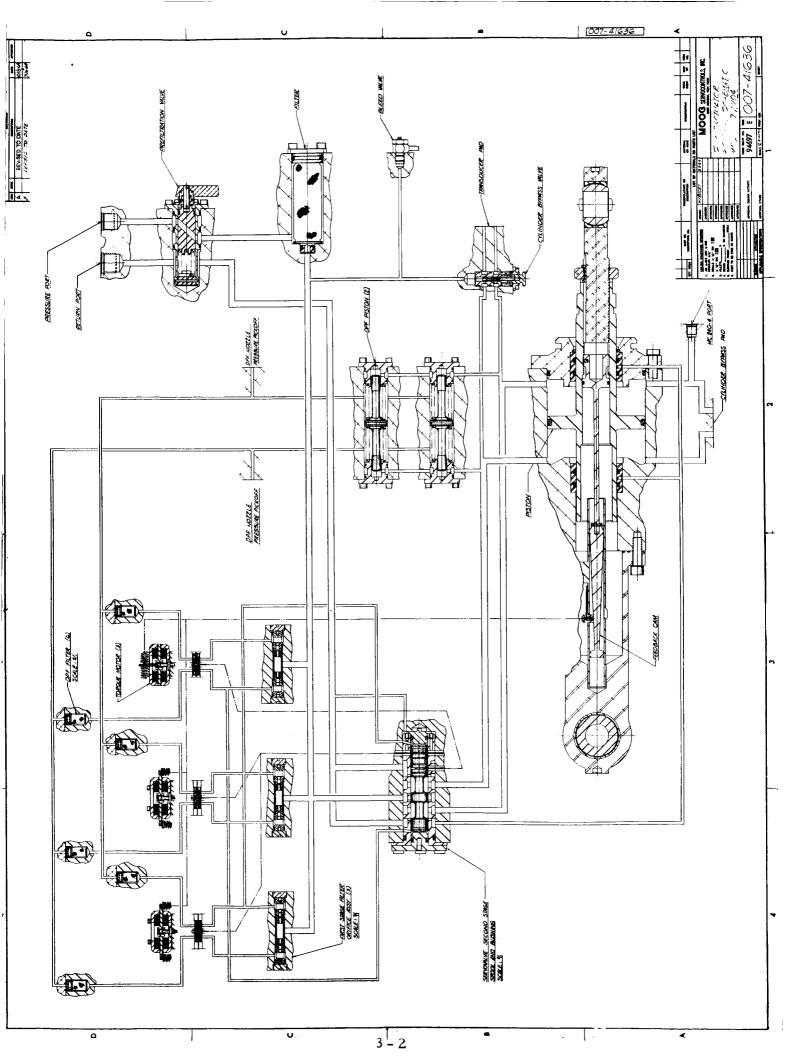
The Model 17-204 majority voting servoactuator produced under this contract is intended for thrust vector control in the Saturn S-IVB stage. The design has the same hydraulic power capacity (piston area and velocity), and physically will attach to the same clevis fittings as the Model 17-189 actuator presently being produced for the S-IVB.

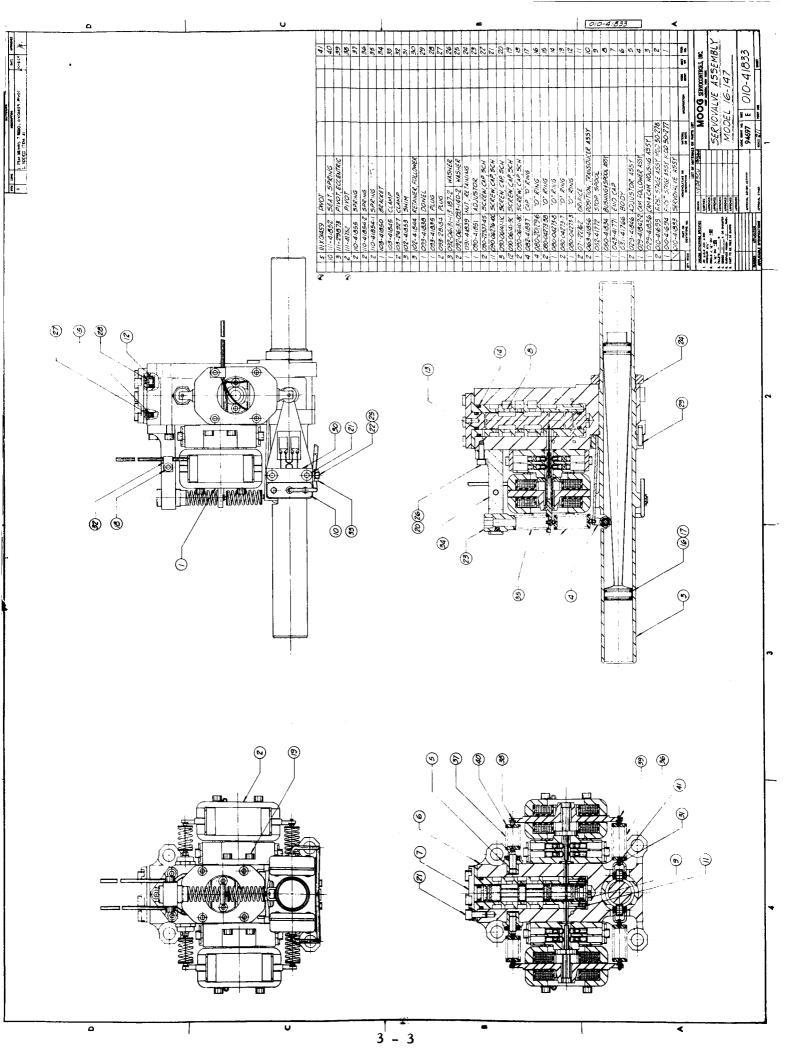
The actuator uses a tapered cylindrical cam for mechanical position feedback and dynamic pressure feedback (DPF) for stabilization of the engine inertia. These features are functionally identical to the current S-IV B actuator. Other similarities to the present S-IV B actuator include: same valve torque motor, same cantilever cam follower assembly, and same accessory components (prefiltration valve, cylinder bypass valve, mid-stroke lock, and vernier scale).

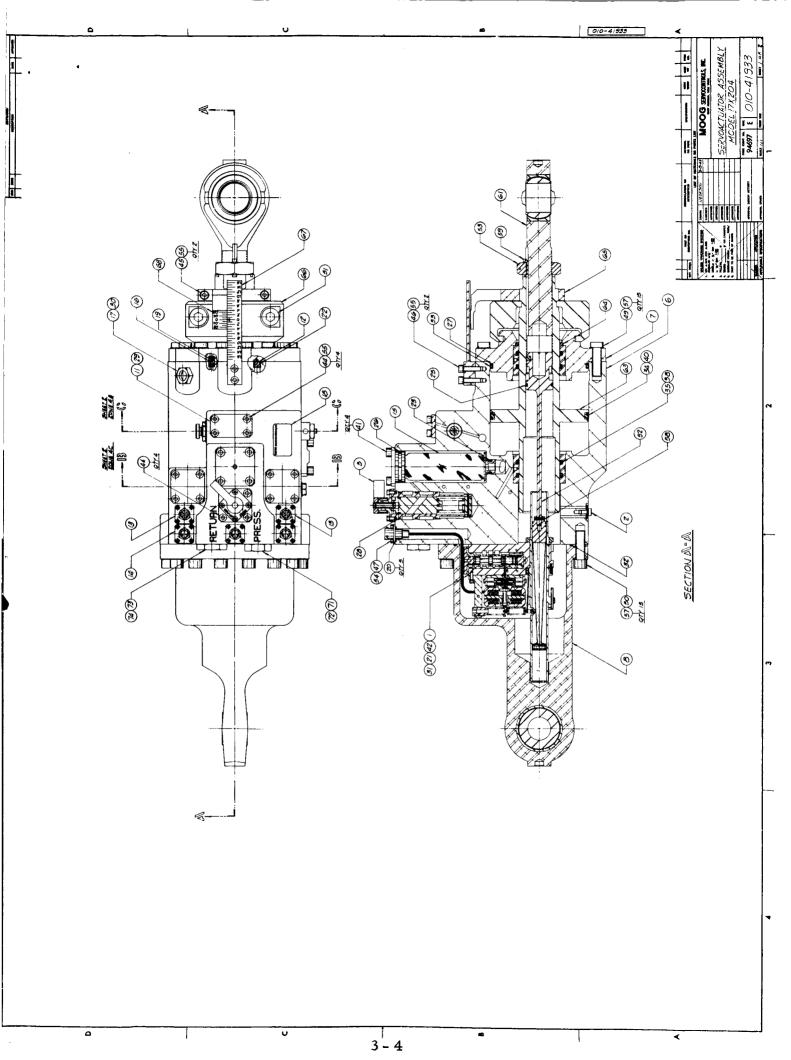
A Pictorial Schematic, 007-41636; Servovalve Assembly Drawing, 010-41833; Servoactuator Assembly Drawing, 010-41933; and Servoactuator Installation Drawing, 001-41932, are included in this report on pages 3-2, 3-3, 3-4, 3-5, and 3-6.

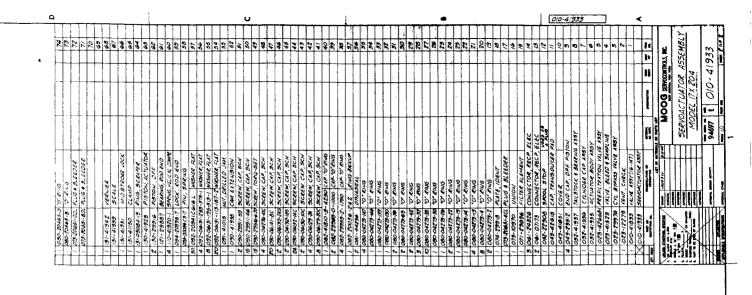
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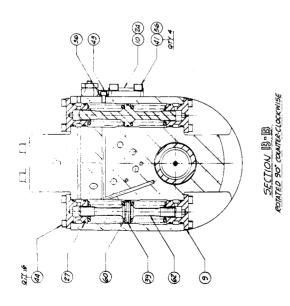
The actuator uses three active torque motors in a majority voting configuration. The three torque motors may be driven from a single amplifier, or driven by three separate amplifiers if majority voting is desired for the electrical amplifiers and connecting cables. Each torque motor receives actuator feedback from the cam through separate springs and cam follower assemblies. Each torque motor also receives feedback from the second stage spool. The latter feedbacks are provided by means of cantilever springs attached to each flapper and driven by the single second stage spool of the servovalve. Majority voting is an arrangement whereby the servovalve will behave as the majority of the first stage torque motor hydraulic amplifiers dictate. Since three first stage assemblies are employed, a majority decision will exist when at least two of the first stages





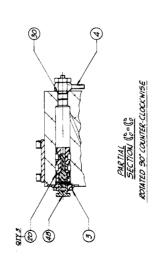


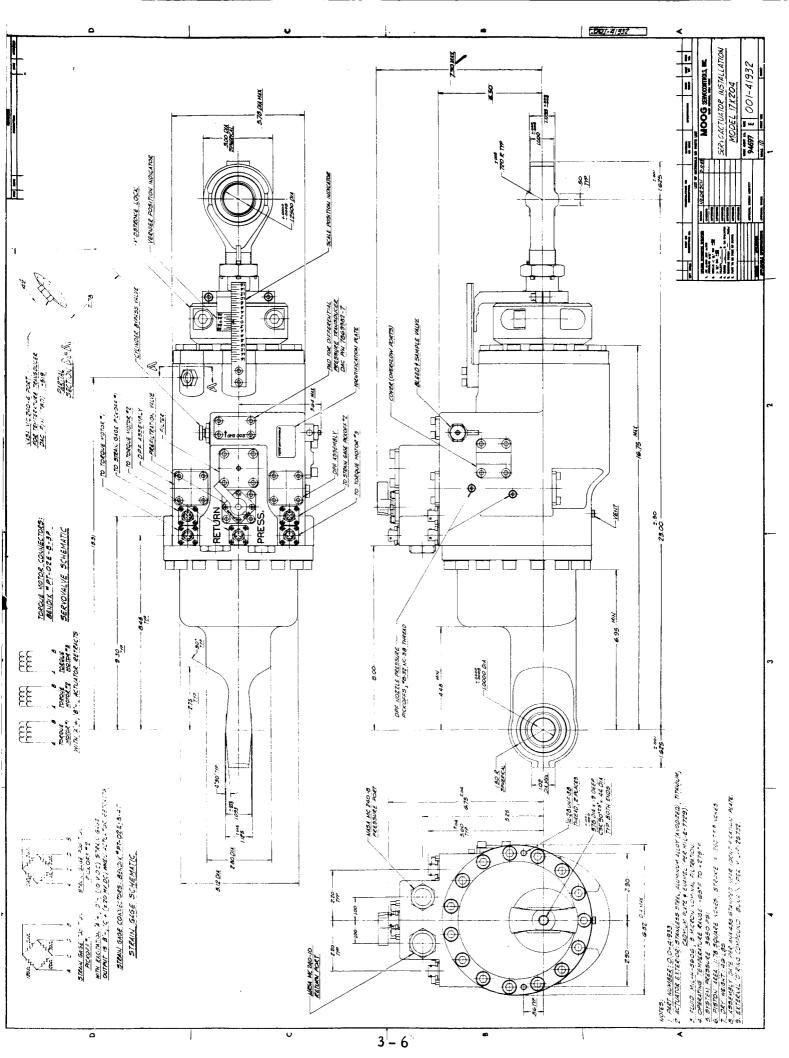




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Majority operation is possible because of the ability of the armature of the torque motor to be essentially a free beam sensitive to force balances. For instance, if one torque motor should receive a hardover command, then its torque motor would be satisfied only when a hardover feedback to the torque motor existed. However, the remaining two torque motors would be satisfied when the feedback torque equalled their input torque, which for this example we can say is zero (actuator centered). The action that would take place for this example is as follows: (1) The flapper of the hardover torque motor would seal against one nozzle of its hydraulic amplifier, (2) the flappers of the remaining two torque motors would seek a position such that equal hydraulic pressures would continue to exist at the second stage spool end chambers, (3) the servovalve would remain at null and the actuator centered. The hardover torque of the failed motor would be balanced by the mechanical torque produced at the sealed nozzle. The zero torque input of the remaining two (or majority of the) motors would be satisfied by the actuator centered position. Similar analogies can be made for the cases of nozzle plugging, fail neutral, plugged inlet orifice, and partial failure of any one first stage torque motor hydraulic amplifier assembly. The majority voting servovalve will also vote if a failure occurs in one of the connecting cables of the servoamplifiers.

The method of providing DPF consists of an auxiliary pair of nozzles to each torque motor, together with two spring centered pistons. Load pressures are applied to either end of the nozzle on one side of each torque motor flapper. The nozzle-flapper acts as a resistance that is sensitive to flow; that is, its resistance increases with increased flow. The spring centered pistons act as capacitances which are coupled with the nozzle-flappers to form a frequency sensitive network.

Static or very low frequency load pressure changes result in displacement of the auxiliary pistons against their springs. As the frequency of load pressure change is increased, the fluid of the annular sections of the pistons must attempt to pass by the nozzle-flappers at ever increasing rates. Because the nozzle-flapper resistance is sensitive to flow, at higher frequencies the resistance increases and pressures proportional to load

pressures (by the area ratio of the auxiliary pistons) are imposed on the flapper. These dynamic load pressures produce a torque on each flapper. Servovalve performance is thus modulated by this action and feedback polarity is arranged so as to produce damping. As was the case for basic servovalve operation, three sets of auxiliary nozzles are utilized in order to retain majority voting capability. The use of two spring centered pistons provides redundancy in that if one piston fails (seizure or broken spring), the DPF feature will be retained. In this case, the frequency at which load damping becomes effective will increase. Sizing is such that damping takes place well below the resonant frequency.

Additional auxiliary features are provided in the servoactuator. Items included are a prefiltration valve, a cylinder bypass valve (manual and hydraulically operated) and a strain gage telemetering device. Ground support items include a removable mid-stroke lock and a position indicator scale and vernier.

3.3 Design Features

The actuator design is based upon the present 17-189 (S-IV B) actuator. An aluminum alloy barrel is used with a high expansion steel alloy piston. In order to maintain the present S-IV B end fitting, it was necessary to reduce the stroke of the actuator from approximately ±1 1/2 inches to ±1 1/4 inches. The reduction in stroke was caused by the valve configuration. The majority voting servovalve maintained the rugged straightforward design of the present S-IVB valve. The basic fundamental that was followed in the servovalve design was to not compromise reliability in order to package added components. Just as in the S-IV B servovalve, there are no levers, links or gimmicks used in the feedback mechanism. However, a price must be paid for this type of straightforward design, and that price is added actuator length or reduced actuator stroke. Since the actuator length was fixed and there is good reason to assume that the actuator stroke could be reduced, the latter course was taken.

The valve is a modular design. It consists of three separable first stage torque motor assemblies, a second stage spool-bushing assembly, and a cam, cam housing assembly mounted to a stainless steel valve body. The first stage torque motor assemblies have

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been made as identical to one another as possible, to minimize the differences in thermal, dynamic, and vibrational characteristics. Two of the first stage assemblies utilize the balanced armature feedback concept of the S-IVB valve; the third first stage utilizes the extended flapper feedback necessitated by the design limitations discussed in the previous paragraph.

The first stage torque motor assemblies contain the torque motor, flapper and first stage nozzles, first stage filter orifice assembly, DPF nozzles, and individual DPF nozzle filters.

The second stage spool bushing design is straightforward. The bushing is flange mounted and has a laminar fit into a dead ended bore. The flange mounted bushing is employed to compactly package the cam, cam housing assembly at the opposite end of the valve body. The amplifier passages from the first stage nozzles terminate in common chambers at the ends of the spool. The DPF nozzles are joined in a common annular bushing groove and ported out through the base of the valve to the DPF pistons.

The cam and cam housing mount into a lap fit hole in the valve body. The cam housing is restrained from rotational motion by a keyway and from translational motion by a tie-wired nut. The three leaf spring followers attach to the cam housing. These followers are the same as those used on the S-IV B valve. However, the leaf spring used on the flapper extension feedback assembly is made of a non-magnetic material because it operates in close proximity to the air gap of the torque motor.

The DPF pistons for the servovalve are located in the actuator. This is the same arrangement used on the S-II and the S-IV B actuators. Two DPF pistons are used to provide redundancy. Only two pistons are required to provide redundant operation because their mode of failure is passive.

Redundant connectors are provided for the servovalve in order to maintain the majority voting concept all the way to the servo-actuator input.

Telemetry information on actuator position is accomplished by strain gage elements mounted on two of the cantilever beam cam follower arms. This method of obtaining actuator piston information has been developed by Moog to eliminate the telemetry potentiometer. Tests conducted on these devices indicate that they are as good or better than potentiometers and they add no extra weight. More importantly, the use of the strain gage elements eliminates the reliability compromise of driving the feedback cam with the shaft of the telemetry pot.

The prefiltration valve and the cylinder bypass valve are of a modular design identical to those now being used in the S-IV B. The actuator drawing indicates provisions for mounting the same customer supplied equipment; i.e., temperature transducer and differential pressure transducer, as the S-IV B.

The mid-position lock and the position indicator are similar in design to those now used on the S-IVB. They have been modified to take advantage of the shorter actuator stroke.

The actuator materials are stainless steel, anodized aluminum, cadmium plated steel, and titanium. Their usage is the same as in the present S-IV B actuator.

The weight of the majority voting actuator is 46 pounds compared to the present S-IVB actuator weight of 40 pounds.

The design of the actuator is characterized by rugged straightforward construction. The ultimate goal was the highest possible unit reliability. Where compromises had to be made they were made at the expense of stroke, weight or envelope.

4.0 TEST RESULTS

Assembly of the servoactuator presented no gross problems. Minor mechanical type problems requiring some dimensional changes to detail parts were encountered, but this is typical of first hardware in any development program. During set-up of the servovalve, magnetic interaction of the torque motors due to their proximity to each other was observed and caused some problem. Recognition of the problem led to suitable set-up techniques which negated the interaction.

Views of a completed actuator are given in Fig. 1 and 2. An exploded view is given in Fig. 3. The servovalve assembly and partial views of the servovalve are given in Figures 4, 5, and 6.

The servoactuators successfully met all performance goals. These goals were to perform within the S-IV B requirements, with and without failures in a single channel, and to exhibit less than 5% shift in actuator position following a failure.

The expected performance was indicated by Moog Report ER-88. This report indicated expected performance at a position loop gain, Kvx, of 20 sec-1, and a dynamic pressure loop gain, K_{vp}, of 33.2 sec-1 and presented the sizing calculations used in establishing the gain values. The servovalves for the program were initially built to the values specified in ER-88. However, as a result of the development testing of the S-IVB system, it became apparent that system resonance was at a lower frequency than that originally calculated. Original system resonance had been stated as 57.1 rad/sec, and the later value was 43.0 rad/sec. Production S-IV B actuator gains were adjusted in order to provide acceptable system performance. Discussions between NASA (M. Kalange) and Moog Engineering (W. J. Thayer) in November of 1964 resulted in agreement to change the S-IV B majority voting actuator to have identical gains to that of the production S-IVB. Revision ER-88A reflected the necessary sizing changes and indicated expected performance. Moog reports ER-88 and ER-88A are included in the appendix of this report. A nominal position loop gain, K_{VX} , of 14.25 sec⁻¹ and a dynamic pressure loop gain of 20.4 sec-1 is indicated in ER-88A. The actuators built under this program had gain values as follows:

	$K_{\mathbf{v}\mathbf{x}}$	$\kappa_{ m vp}$
Actuator S/N 1	16.1 sec ⁻¹	17.6 sec ⁻¹
Actuator S/N 2	15.8 sec ⁻¹	20.2sec^{-1}

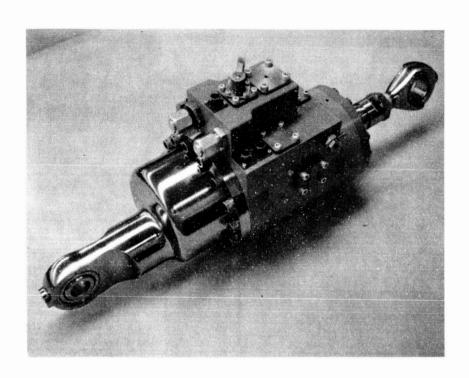


Fig. 1 Completed S-IV B
Majority Voting Actuator

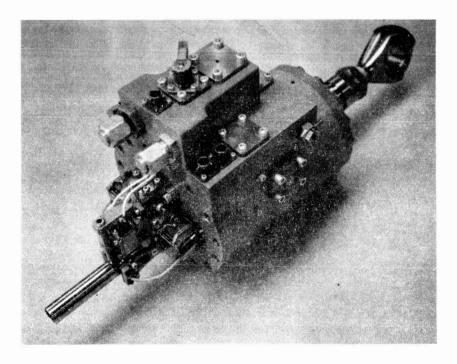


Fig. 2 Completed S-IV B Majority Voting Actuator with Tailstock Removed

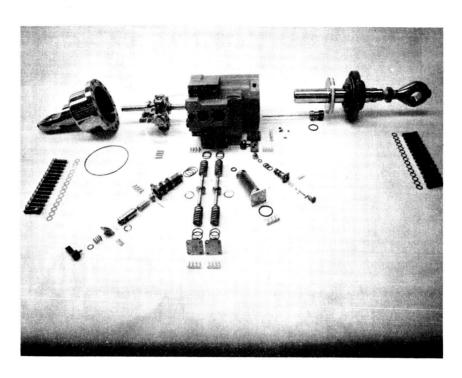


Fig. 3 Exploded View of S-IV B
Majority Voting Actuator

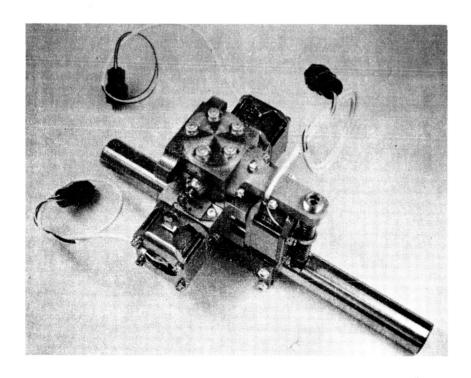


Fig. 4 Majority Voting Valve, Cam Housing, and Cam Assembly

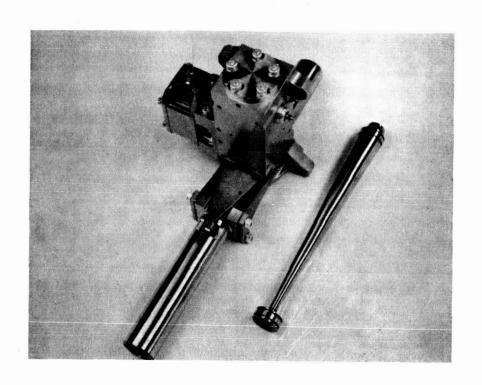


Fig. 5 Partial Assembly: Valve, Cam Housing, and Cam

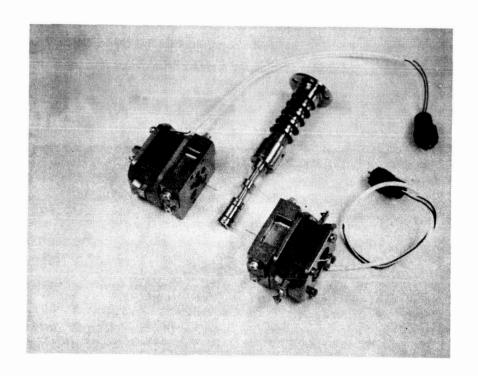


Fig. 6 Detail Parts: Torque Motor Assemblies and Valve Spool - Bushing Assembly

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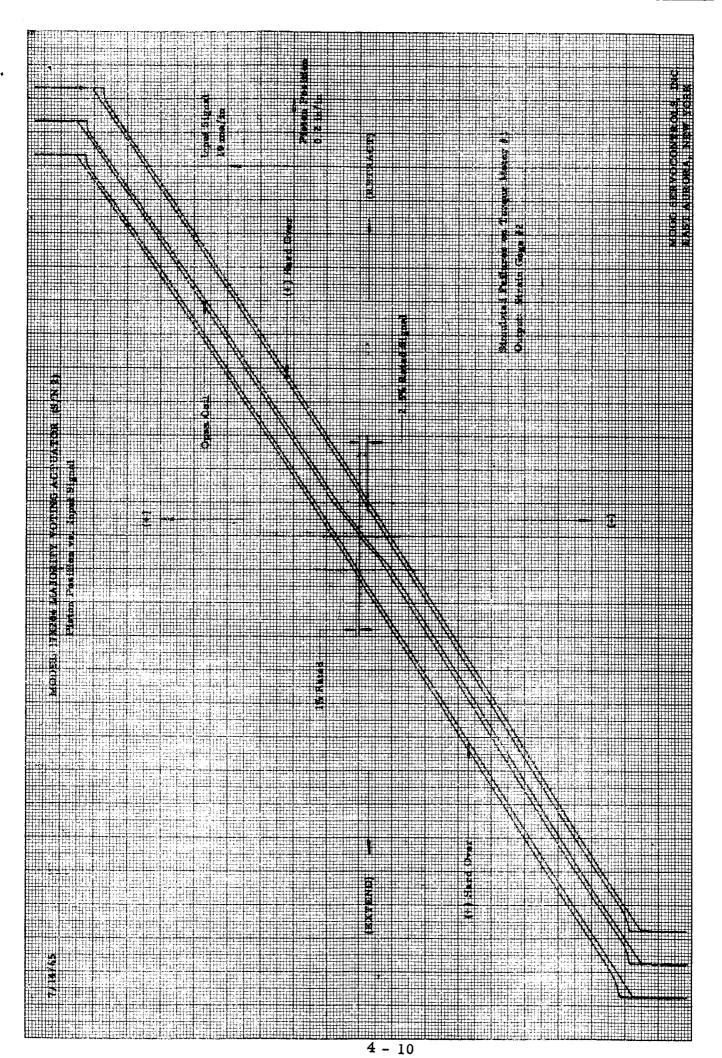
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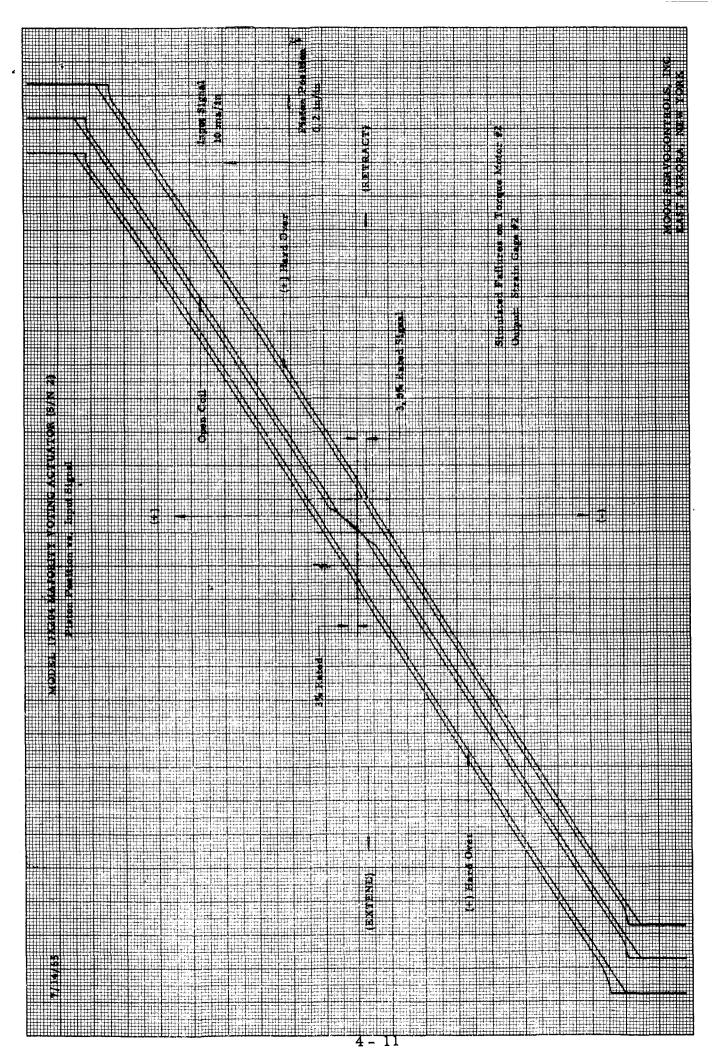
Figure 7 is a plot of actuator position vs. input signal with all channels active. Relationships such as midstroke lock to extend and retract positions, and mid-stroke lock to telemetry strain gage zero are also given on this plot. Note that the indicated position (as given by strain gage output) and actual actuator position differ by one and one-half percent from mid-stroke to either full extend or full retract due to the non-linearity of the strain gage output. Figures 8, 9, and 10 indicate the output characteristics of the actuator with open and hard-over failures in each of the three channels. Figures 11, 12, and 13 are plots taken under the same conditions, but having each plot run with its own axis rather than a common axis in order that a more accurate assessment can be made of actuator change in position following the introduction of a simulated failure. Maximum shift observed was 4% (see Fig. 13).

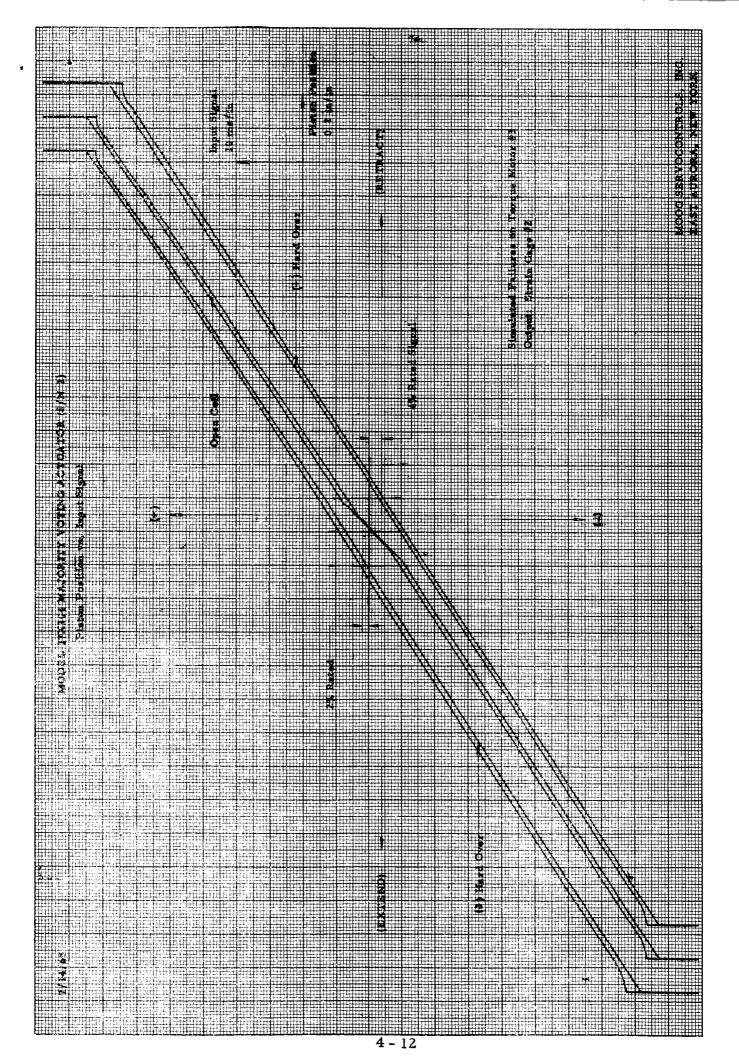
Dynamic characteristics of the servoactuator with and without simulated failures were also assessed. The servovalve's open loop dynamic characteristics under conditions of no failure, hard-over failure of one torque motor, or open (coil) failure of one torque motor are given in Figures 14 thru 19. These figures indicate dynamic characteristics for the case of failure of the three motors, one at a time, and also reflect the effect of input amplitude. Figures 20 and 21 are plots of dynamic characteristics taken on the S-IV B load simulator at two different command amplitudes to the servoactuator. From the plots it can be seen that the dynamic characteristics remain essentially unchanged following an induced failure in one channel. Comparison of the actual data with the expected performance predicted in ER-88A indicates that phase lagis less than predicted and the amplitude ratio has a higher peak value than predicted. A portion of this discrepancy can be attributed to the fact that the actual loop gain of the servoactuator was somewhat higher than nominal gain (15.8 sec-1 vs. 14.25 sec-1), but it is also true that greater peak amplitude is generally seen on actual test due to mechanical characteristics of the actuator and load simulator, such as back-lash of bearings.

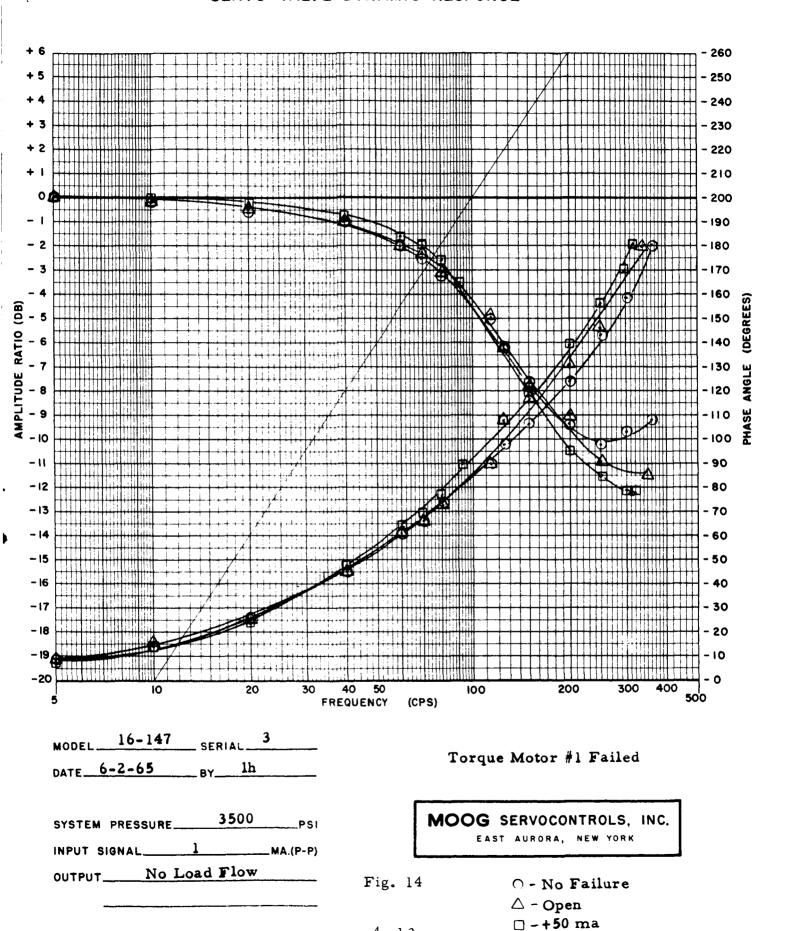
Step input tests at various command inputs and with simulated failures were also conducted on the load simulator. Observed characteristics are illustrated by the photographs of Figures 22 thru 27. Again, it can be observed that transient response remains essentially unchanged following an induced failure in one channel.

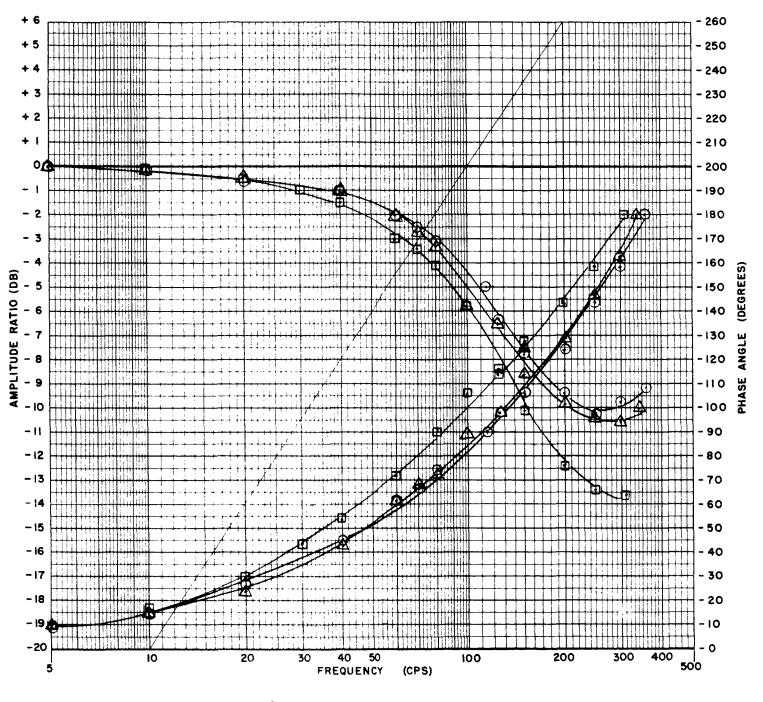
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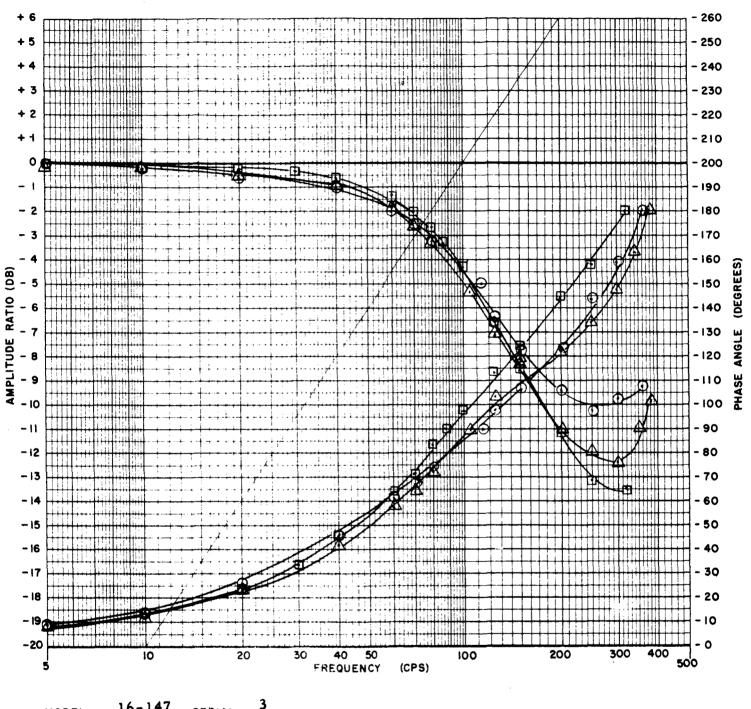
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INPUT SIGNAL 1 MA.(P-P)
OUTPUT No Load Flow

Torque Motor #2 Failed

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Fig. 15 O - No Failure \(\triangle \) - Open



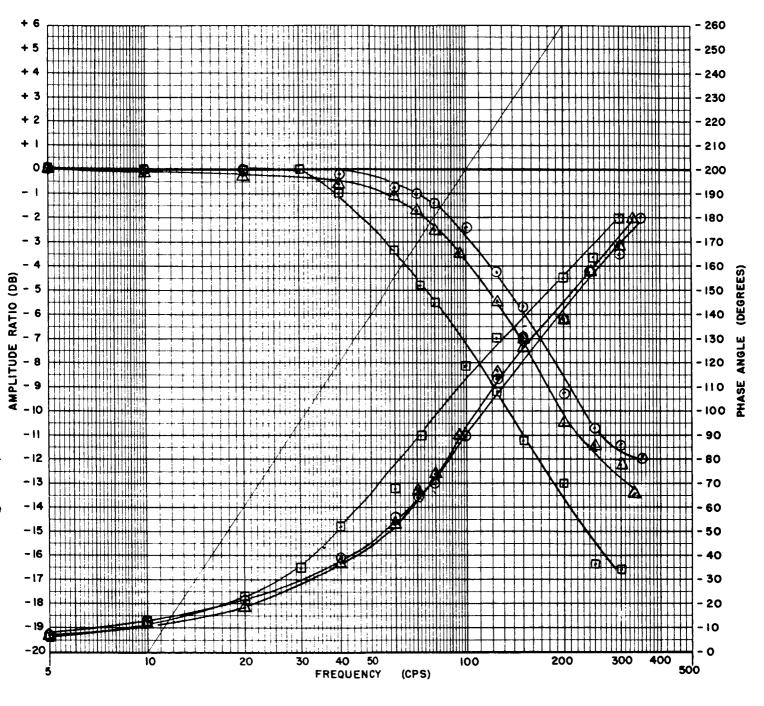
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Torque Motor #3 Failed

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OUTPUT No Load Flow

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SYSTEM PRESSURE 3500 PSI
INPUT SIGNAL 10 MA.(P-P)

OUTPUT No Load Flow

Torque Motor #1 Failed

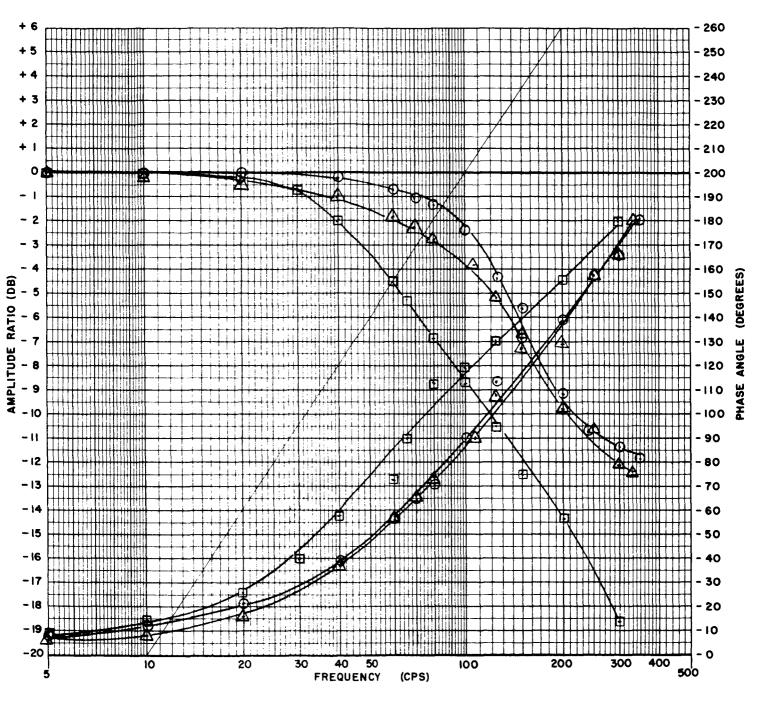
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Fig. 17

O - No Failure

△ - Open

□ - +50 ma



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SYSTEM PRESSURE 3500 PSI
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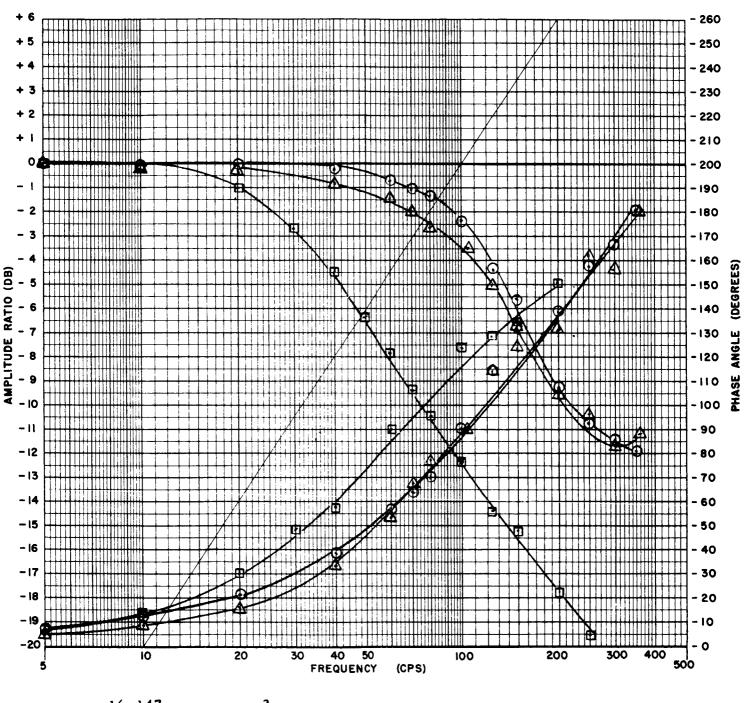
Torque Motor #2 Failed

Fig. 18

O - No Failure

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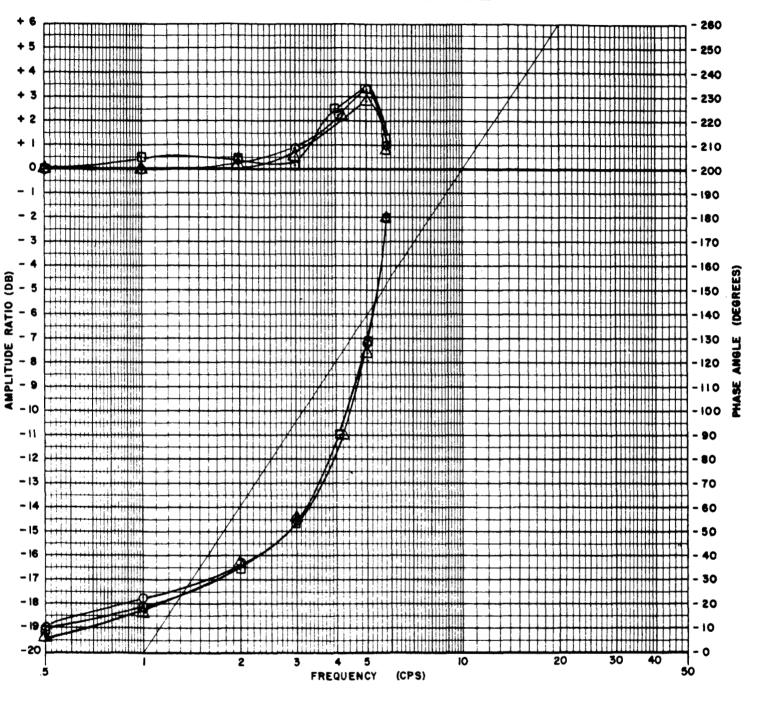
Torque Motor #3 Failed

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Fig. 19 O - No Failure △ - Open

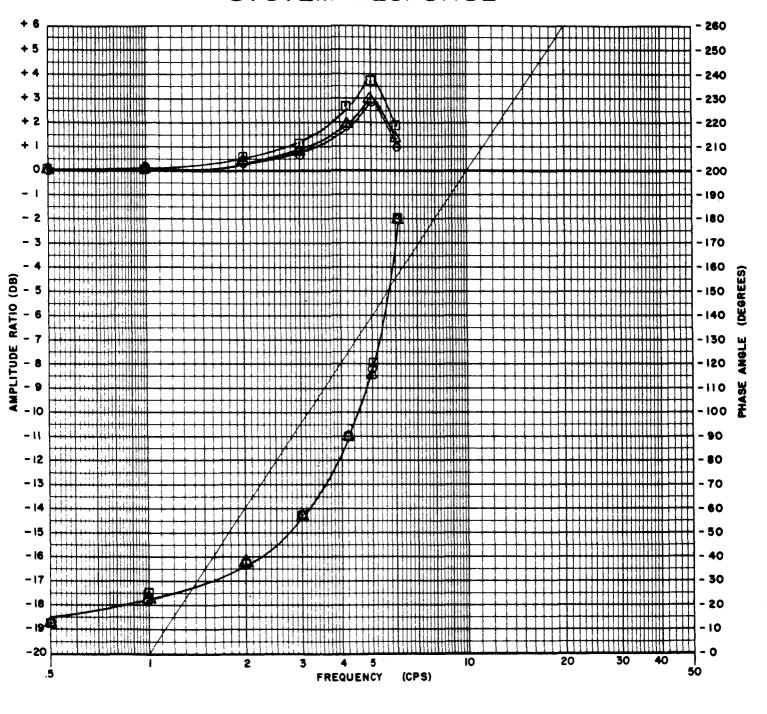
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	O - All Motors Active K _{VX} = 15.8 sec ⁻¹		
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Position

SYSTEM RESPONSE



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SYSTEM PRESSURE 3500 PSI
INPUT SIGNAL 7.0 MA.(P-P)
OUTPUT Simulator Load

Position

O - All Motors Active

K_{vx} = 15.8 sec⁻¹

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Fig. 21

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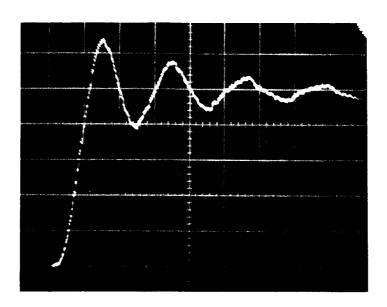


Fig. 22 Transient Response, All Channels Active (3.5 ma p-p, time - 0.1 sec per large div.)

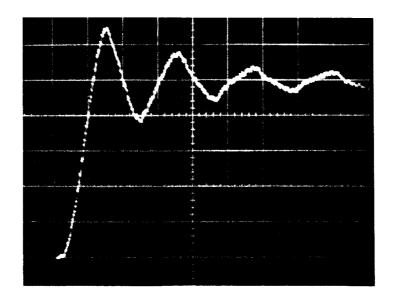


Fig. 23 Transient Response, Torque Motor #1 Failed Open (3.5 ma p-p, time - 0.1 sec per large div.)

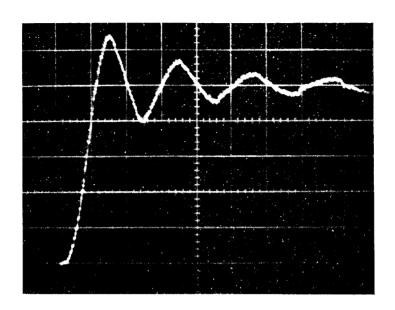


Fig. 24 Transient Response, Torque Motor #1 Failed Hard-Over (3.5 ma p-p, time - 0.1 sec per large div.)

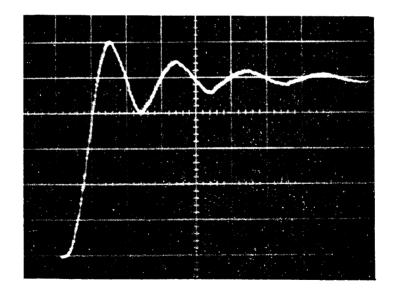


Fig. 25 Transient Response, All Channels Active (7.0 ma p-p, time - 0.1 sec per large div.)

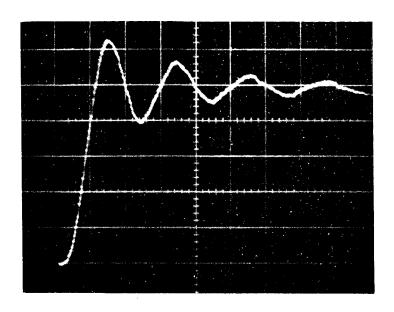


Fig. 26 Transient Response, Torque Motor #1 Failed Open (7.0 ma p-p, time - 0.1 sec per large div.)

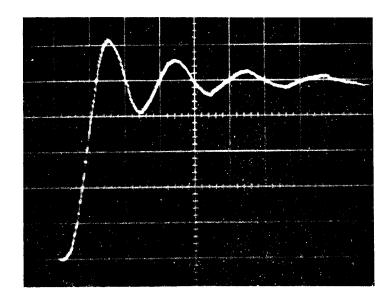


Fig. 27 Transient Response, Torque Motor #1 Failed Hard-Over (7.0 ma p-p, time - 0.1 sec per large div.)

Temperature testing indicated less than 5% change in actuator position up to $275^{O}F$. Throughout the test program there was no evidence of abnormal or unstable performance of the servoactuators.

APPENDIX

- I Performance Preductions and Sizing Calculations Report, ER-88.
- II Revised Performance Preductions, ER-88A.

ENGINEERING REPORT NO. ER-88

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TITLE:

Performance Predictions and Sizing Calculations for Moog Model 17-204 Actuator; Mechanical Feedback Servoactuator with Majority Voting Valve.

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DATE: October 9, 1964

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SECTION 1.0: Summary

This report summarizes the performance predictions and sizing calculations for the Moog Servoactuator Model 17-204 to be supplied to the George C. Marshall Space Flight Center, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Huntsville, Alabama. The design provides mechanical piston position feedback and a majority voting mechanical feedback servovalve. Where possible, the design has been patterned about the Saturn S-IV B Servoactuator and associated load characteristics (Moog Model 17-189 Servoactuator).

Section 2. 0 contains a summary of the pertinent system parameters; and section 3. 0 shows calculations of the various loop gains and sensitivities. Figure B illustrates the system function diagram of the unit.

SECTION 2.0: Summary of System Parameters

Symbol	Description	Value
A ₁	DPF piston stub areas	0.1295 in ²
A ₂	DPF piston nozzle driving areas	0.6560 in ²
Aact	actuator area	11.78 in ²
D_{N}	DPF nozzle diameters	0.028 in
kfeedback spring - l	Feedback spring stiffness Torque motor No. 1	29.3 lb/in.
k feedback spring - 2	Feedback spring stiffness Torque motor No. 2	54.2 lb/in.
k feedback spring - 3	Feedback spring stiffness Torque motor No. 3	29.3 lb/in.
ksfw-1	Spring rate of spool feedback wire Torque motor No. 1	9.5 lb/in.
ksfw-2	Spring rate of spool feedback wire Torque motor No. 2	9.5 lb/in.
k sfw-3	Spring rate of spool feedback wire Torque motor No. 3	9.5 lb/in.
K ₃	DPF pressure feedback slope	0.015 cis/psi
Kcam	feedback cam slope	0.04366 in/in. (2° 30')
K _{DPF}	DPF torque/pressure gain	9.5×10^{-5} in-lb/psi
$\kappa_{\rm E}$	combined rate of DPF springs per unit	1000 lb/in.
κ_{M}	actuator mechanical stiffness (calculated from specification parameters)	4,760,000 lb/in.
к <mark>и</mark>	estimated actual actuator mechanical stiffness	2,500,000 lb/in.

Symbol	Description	Value
K _{oil}	actuator oil stiffness	3,390,000 lb/in.
K _s	structural spring rate	391,000 lb/in.
$K_{ m spool}$	valve spool gain - flow per displacement	2,180 in ³ /sec/in.
κ_{T}	total drive stiffness (calculated from specification parameters)	350,000 lb/in.
κ <mark>′</mark>	estimated total drive stiffness	307,000 lb/in.
K _{TM-1}	gain of torque motor No. 1	0.046 in-lb/ma
K _{TM-2}	gain of torque motor No. 2	0.046 in-lb/ma
K _{TM-3}	gain of torque motor No. 3	0.046 in-lb/ma
K _{valve}	valve flow per torque gain	158 cis/in-lb.
$K_{vp}(DPF)$	dynamic pressure loop gain	33.2 sec^{-1}
$K_{\mathbf{v}\mathbf{x}}$	positional loop gain	20 sec-1
l	total actuator stroke	2.5 in.
feedback spring-l	length from feedback spring input to torque motor flexure point Torque motor No. 1	1.16 in.
feedback spring - 2	length from feedback spring input to torque motor flexure point Torque motor No. 2	0.625 in.
feedback spring - 3	length from feedback spring input to torque motor flexure point Torque motor No. 3	1.16 in.
$\ell_{\text{sfw-1}}$	length from spool displacement pickup point to torque flexure point Torque motor No. 1	l. 45 in.
$V_{\rm sfw-2}$	length from spool displacement pickup point to torque flexure point Torque motor No. 2	l. 45 in.

Symbol	Description	Value
ℓ_{sfw-3}	length from spool displacement pickup point to torque flexure point Torque motor No. 3	1.45 in.
M _E	equivalent reflected engine mass	120 lb-sec ² /in.
N	volumetric efficiency factor (assumed)	0.9 (dimensionless)
X	DPF nozzle spacing from flapper	0.0012 in.
β	bulk modulus of MIL-H-5606 oil	200,000 lb/in ²
τ ο	DPF time constant	0.08 sec. at ± 200 psi load ΔP
$\omega_{ ext{E}}$	natural frequency of mass and effective oil-structure spring (specification value)	54 rad/sec.
$\omega_{ m E}'$	natural frequency of mass and effective oil-structure spring (calculated from estimated parameters)	53.4 rad/sec.
ω_s	natural frequency of mass and structure spring	57.1 rad/sec.
	actuator sensitivity	0.031 in/ma
	rated command current	50 ma
	rated valve flow	10.5 gpm at 3500 psi Δ valve
	stroke of DPF piston	±0.26 in.
	actuator attach radius	11.87 inches
	engine gimballed inertia	1450 slug-ft ²
	valve spool diameter	0. 375 inch

SECTION 3.0: Loop Gain and Sensitivities

Each of the three mass balanced -2 series torque motors has a nominal rated output of:

Max. output torque =
$$(K_{TM})$$
 (rated current)
= (0.046 in-lb/ma) (50 ma)
= 2.3 in-lb .

The actuator ram position sensitivity to current input is nominally the same for each channel. While the actuator stroke is less than the S-IV B 17-189 unit, the sensitivity has been designed to be identical. Thus the piston will bottom before rated current. For channel -1:

Actuator Sensitivity =
$$\frac{(K_{TM-1})}{(K_{cam}) (k_{feedback}) (k_{feedback})}$$

$$= \frac{0.046}{(0.04366) (29.3) (1.16)}$$

$$= 0.031 in/ma$$

The position loop gain (K_{vx}) is nominally the same for each channel. For channel -1:

$$K_{vx} = \frac{K_{spool} K_{cam} k_{feedback} \int_{spring - 1}^{spring - 1} \frac{A_{act} k_{sfw - 1} k_{sfw - 1}}{A_{act} k_{sfw - 1} k_{sfw - 1}}$$

$$= \frac{(2180) (0.04366) (29.3) (1.16)}{(11.78) (1.45) (9.5)}$$

$$= 20 \text{ sec}^{-1}$$

The dynamic pressure loop gain $K_{\mathrm{vp}}(\mathrm{DPF})$ is nominally the same for each channel. For channel -1:

$$K_{vp}(DPF) = \frac{K_{spool} K_T' K_{DPF}}{A_{act}^2 I_{sfw-1} k_{sfw-1}}$$
$$= \frac{(2180) (307,000) (9.5 \times 10^{-5})}{(11.78)^2 (1.45) (9.5)}$$

The Moog servosystem analyzer was programmed to simulate the engine - stage structure characteristics of the Saturn S-IV B TVC and the 17-204 actuator, according to the nominal parameters as listed on Figure A. Step and frequency response data was taken and are presented in Figures A and AA respectively.

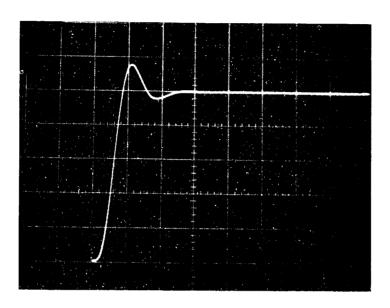


FIGURE A

Moog Model 17-204

Analog Computer Simulation of:

Engine Position Response to Step Command

All System Parameters Nominal as Follows:

Drive-Load Resonant Frequency = ω_e = 53.4 rad/sec.

Structure-Load Resonant Frequency = ω_s = 57.1 rad/sec.

Drive-Load Damping Ratio = ζ_e = 0

Positional Loop Gain = K_{vx} = 20 sec⁻¹

Dynamic Pressure Loop Gain = $K_{vp}(DPF) = 33.2 \text{ sec}^{-1}$

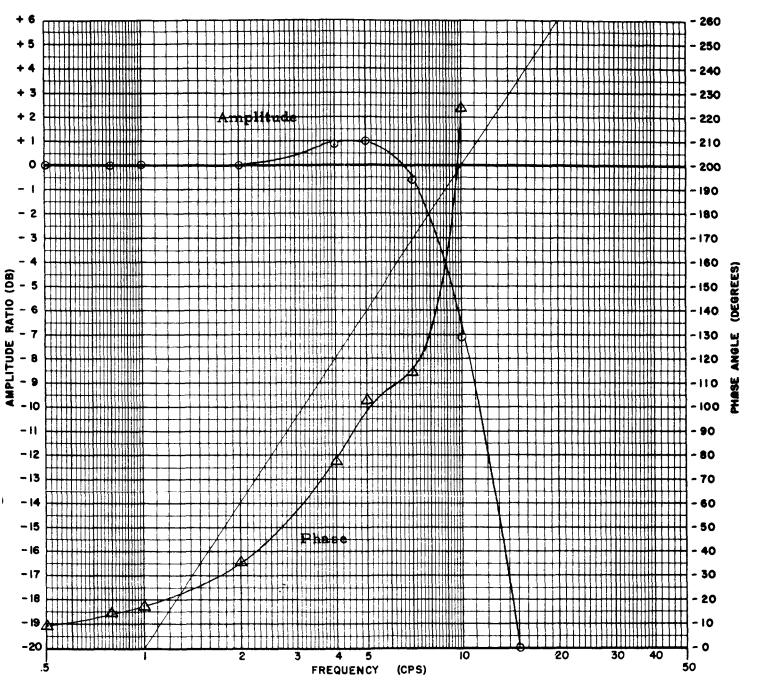
DPF Time Constant = τ_o = 0.08 sec at ±200 psi load Δ P

Servovalve dynamics: second order with a resonant frequency of 50 cps and a damping ratio of 1.0

Feedback from piston position

Single Sweep at 0.1 sec/cm

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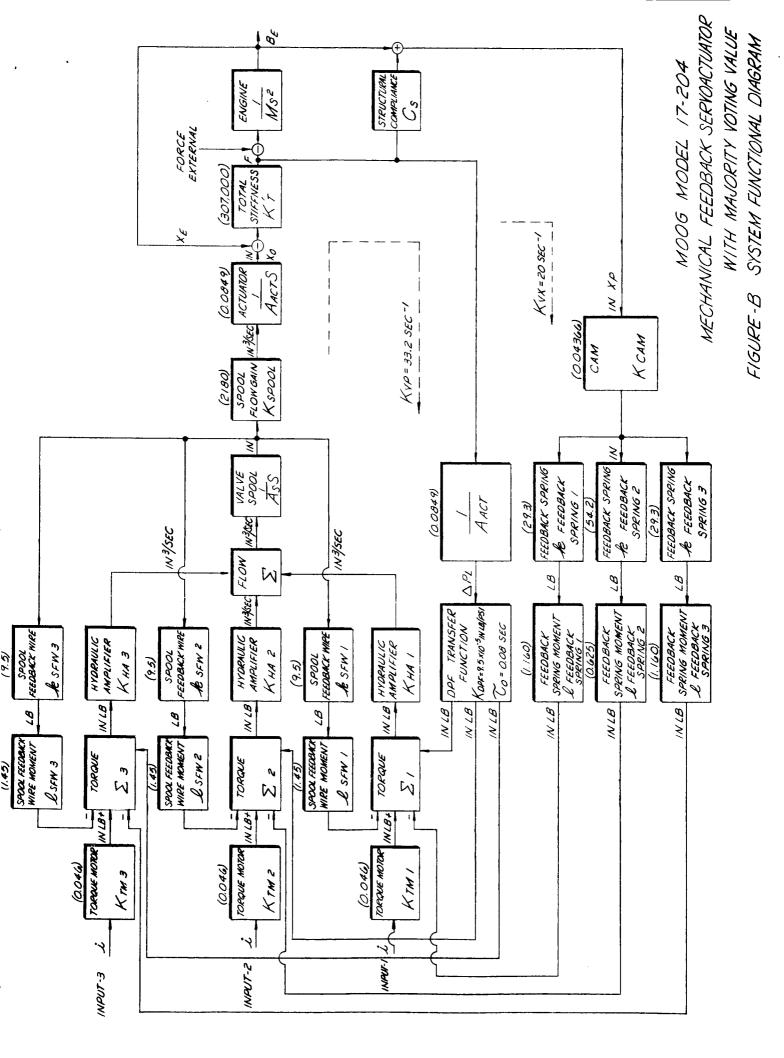
SYSTEM PRESSURE_____PSI
INPUT SIGNAL Command (\(\beta\)i) MA.(P-P)
OUTPUT Engine Position (\(\beta\))

FIGURE AA

Analog Computer Simulation - Mechanical Feedback Servoactuator with Majority-Voting Valve.

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All parameters as listed on Figure A.



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SECTION 1.0 Introduction

This report summarizes the new performance predictions and system parameters of the Moog Model 17-204 servoactuator. The new performance predictions and system parameters reflect a lowering of the load mass and structure spring natural frequency (ω_s) from 57.1 rad/sec to 43.0 rad/sec and a lowering of the position loop gain (K_{vx}) from 20.0 sec⁻¹ to 14.25 sec⁻¹.

Section 2.0 contains a summary of the pertinent system parameters. Section 3.0 shows the necessary calculations for determining values of the parameters which were affected by the above mentioned changes in ω_s and K_{VX} .

SECTION 2.0:	Summary of System Parameters
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Symbol	Description	Value
A	DPF piston stub areas	0. 1295 in ²
A ₂	DPF piston nozzle driving areas	0.6560 in ²
Aact	Actuator area	11.78 in ²
AN	Valve nozzle areas	0.000201 in ²
$D_{\overline{N}}$	DPF nozzle diameters	0.038 in
k _{B-1}	Effective Bernoulli spring rate Torque motor No. 1	1.72 lb/in
k _{B-2}	Effective Bernoulli spring rate Torque motor No. 2	1.72 lb/in
k _{B-3}	Effective Bernoulli spring rate Torque motor No. 3	1.72 lb/in
kfeedback spring-l	Feedback spring stiffness Torque motor No. 1	29.3 lb/in.
k feedback spring-2	Feedback spring stiffness Torque motor No. 2	54.2 lb/in.
k feedback spring-3	Feedback spring stiffness Torque motor No. 3	29. 3 lb/in.
ksfw-1	Spring rate of spool feedback wire Torque motor No. 1	12.4 lb/in
k sfw-2	Spring rate of spool feedback wire Torque motor No. 2	12.4 lb/in
k _{sfw-3}	Spring rate of spool feedback wire Torque motor No. 3	12.4 lb/in
к ₃	DPF pressure feedback slope	0.015 cis/psi
K _{cam}	Feedback cam slope	0.04366 in/in (2° 30')

Symbol	Description	Value
K _{DPF}	DPF torque/pressure gain	13.3 x 10^{-5} in-lb/psi
${f k}_{f E}$	Combined rate of DPF springs per unit	479 lb/in
^k M	Estimated actual actuator mechanical stiffness	2,500,000 lb/in
^k oil	Effective actuator oil stiffness	3, 390, 000 lb/in
k _s	Effective structural spring rate	222,000 lb/in
K_{spool}	Valve spool gain - flow per displacement	2,180 in ³ /sec/in
k _T	Estimated total drive stiffness	192,000 lb/in
K _{TM-1}	Gain of torque motor No. 1	0.046 in-lb/ma
K _{TM-2}	Gain of torque motor No. 2	0.046 in-lb/ma
K _{TM-3}	Gain of torque motor No. 3	0.046 in-lb/ma
K _{valve}	Valve flow per torque gain	113 cis/in-lb
$K_{vp}(DPF)$	Dynamic pressure loop gain	20.4 sec-1
K _{vx}	Positional loop gain	14.25 sec ⁻¹
l	Total actuator stroke	2.5 in
$\ell_{\mathrm{f-1}}$	Length from flexure point to valve nozzles	
	Torque motor No. 1	0.760 in
$l_{\text{f-2}}$	Length from flexure point to valve nozzles	
	Torque motor No. 2	0.760 in
$\ell_{\text{f-3}}$	Length from flexure point to valve nozzles	
4	Torque motor No. 3	0.760 in
feedback spring-l	Length from feedback spring input to torque motor flexure point	
• 0	Torque motor No. 1	1.16 in

Symbol	Description	Value
feedback spring-2	Length from feedback spring input to torque motor flexure point Torque motor No. 2	0.625 in.
feedback spring-3	Length from feedback spring input to torque motor flexure point Torque motor No. 3	l. 16 in
l_{N-1}	Length from flexure point to DPF nozzles Torque motor No. 1	0.580 in
l_{N-2}	Length from flexure point to DPF nozzles Torque motor No. 2	0.580 in
l_{N-3} l_{sfw-1}	Length from flexure point to DPF nozzles Torque motor No. 3	0.580 in
	Length from spool displacement pickup point to torque flexure point Torque motor No. 1	1.45 in.
l_{sfw-2}	Length from spool displacement pickup point to torque flexure point Torque motor No. 2	l. 45 in.
$l_{\text{sfw-3}}$	Length from spool displacement pickup point to torque flexure point Torque motor No. 3	1.45 in.
$M_{\mathbf{E}}$	Equivalent reflected engine mass	120 lb-sec ² /in.
N	Volumetric efficiency factor (assumed)	0.9 (dimensionless)
X _{DPF}	DPF nozzle spacing from flapper	0.0012 in.
β	Bulk modulus of MIL-H-5606 oil	200,000 lb/in ²
$ au_{ ext{o}}$	DPF time constant	0.132 sec at ±200 psi load ΔP
$\omega_{\mathbf{E}}$	Natural frequency of mass and effective oil-structure spring (calculated from estimated parameters)	40.0 rad/sec.

Symbol	Description	Value
ω_{s}	Natural frequency of mass and structure spring	43 rad/sec.
	Actuator sensitivity	0.031 in/ma
	Rated command current	50 ma
·	Rated valve flow	10.5 gpm at 3500 psi Δ valve
	Stroke of DPF piston	±0.26 in.
	Actuator attach radius	11.87 inches
	Engine gimballed inertia	1450 slug-ft ²
	Valve spool diameter	0.375 inch

SECTION 3.0:

Calculation of System Parameters

Section 3.1:

Determination of the natural frequency of mass and effective oil - structure spring (ω_E).

$$k_s = M_E \omega_s^2$$

$$k_s = (120)(43^2)$$

$$k_s = 222,000 lb/in.$$

$$k_{oil} = 3,390,000 lb/in.$$

$$k_{M} = 2,500,000 lb/in$$

$$k_{T} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{k_{M}} + \frac{1}{k_{oil}} + \frac{1}{k_{s}}}$$

$$k_{T} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2,500,000} + \frac{1}{3,390,000} + \frac{1}{222,000}}$$

$$k_{T} = 192,000 \text{ lb/in}$$

$$\omega_{\rm E} = \sqrt{k_{\rm T}/M_{\rm E}}$$

$$\omega_{\rm E} = \sqrt{\frac{192,000}{120}}$$

$$\omega_{\rm E}$$
 = 40.0 rad/sec

Section 3.2:

Determination of the effective Bernoulli spring rate within the servovalve.

The Bernoulli force on the valve spool F_B can be expressed by the relationship:

$$F_B = 0.45 \text{ W (P}_s - P_L) X_s$$

where:

0.45 is a constant

W = 0.6 in. is the total slot width

P_s = 3500 psi is the system pressure

P_L = 0 is the load pressure drop

X_s is the spool position.

The torque on the armature, T_B, due to the change in pressure across the nozzles caused by the Bernoulli force on the spool is:

$$T_{B} = \frac{F_{B} A_{N}}{A_{s}}$$

where:

 $A_N = 0.000201 \text{ in}^2 \text{ is the nozzle area}$ $A_S = 0.1104 \text{ in}^2 \text{ is the spool area}$

/ = 0.76 in. is the distance from the flexure point
to the nozzles or the Bernoulli moment

Assuming that $P_L = 0$,

$$T_{B} = \frac{0.45 \text{ W P}_{s} X_{s} A_{N} I_{f}}{A_{s}}$$

$$\frac{T_{B}}{X_{S}} = \frac{(0.45)(0.6)(3500)(0.000201)(0.76)}{0.1104}$$

$$\frac{T_B}{X_S} = 1.307 \frac{\text{in-lb}}{\text{in}}$$

$$k_B = \frac{F_B}{X_s}$$

$$k_B = \frac{T_B}{X_s I_f}$$

$$k_B = \frac{1.307}{0.76}$$

$$k_B = 1.72 lb/in$$

The effect of this spring rate adds to that of the spool feedback wire rate of the valve. This is shown on the block diagram of Figure B. k_B and ℓ_f have the same values for each of the three servovalves.

Section 3. 3: Determination of the spool feedback wire rate, k_{sfw}

The position loop gain K_{vx} is defined by:

$$K_{vx} = \frac{K_{spool} K_{cam} k_{fbs} l_{fbs}}{A_{act} (k_{sfw} l_{fw} + k_{B} l_{f})}$$

$$k_{sfw} = \frac{K_{spool} K_{cam} k_{fbs} l_{fbs}}{K_{vx} A_{act} l_{sfw}} - \frac{k_{B} l_{f}}{l_{sfw}}$$

$$k_{sfw} = \frac{(2180) (0.04366) (29.3) (1.16)}{(14.25) (11.78) (1.45)} - \frac{(1.72) (0.76)}{1.45}$$

$$k_{sfw} = 13.31 - 0.90$$

$$k_{sfw} = 12.4 lb/in.$$

 k_{sfw} has the same value for all three servovalves.

Section 3.4: Determination of the dynamic pressure loop gain K_{vp}DPF.

$$K_{vp} = \frac{K_3 k_T}{A_{act}}$$

$$K_{vp} = \frac{(0.015)(192,000)}{11.78^2}$$

 $K_{\rm vp} = 20.4 \, {\rm sec}^{-1}$ for each of the three loops

Section 3.5: Determination of the valve flow per torque gain, K_{valve}.

$$K_{\text{valve}} = \frac{K_{\text{spool}}}{k_{\text{sfw}} \cdot k_{\text{sfw}} + k_{\text{B}} \cdot l_{\text{f}}}$$

$$K_{valve} = \frac{2180}{(12.4)(1.45) + (1.72)(0.76)}$$

 K_{valve} = 113 cis/in-lb for each of the three servovalves.

Section 3.6: Determination of the DPF torque per pressure gain, KDPF.

$$K_{\text{DPF}} = \frac{K_3 (k_{\text{sfw}} / k_{\text{sfw}} + k_{\text{B}} / k_{\text{spool}})}{K_{\text{spool}}}$$

$$K_{DPF} = \frac{(0.015) \left[(12.4) (1.45) + (1.72) (0.76) \right]}{2180}$$

$$K_{DPF} = 13.3 \times 10^{-5} \text{ in-lb/psi}$$

Section 3.7: Determination of the DPF nozzle diameter, DN.

$$D_{N} = \sqrt{\frac{4 K_{3} A_{2}}{\pi / K_{\text{valve}} A_{1}}}$$

$$D_{N} = \sqrt{\frac{(4) (0.015) (0.656)}{\pi (0.580) (113) (0.1295)}}$$

$$D_{N} = 0.038 in$$

Section 3. 8: Determination of the combined rate of the DPF springs, k_E .

From Figure C, the nominal DPF time constant is $\tau_0 = 0.132$ sec.

$$k_{\rm E} = \frac{2A_2 \sqrt{(\frac{A_1}{A_2}) \Delta P_{\rm LO}}}{(3) (209) \pi D_{\rm N} X_{\rm DPF} \tau_{\rm o}}$$
 where: $\Delta P_{\rm LO} = 200 \text{ psi}$

$$k_{E} = \frac{(2) (0.656)^{2} \sqrt{(\frac{0.1295}{0.656}) (200)}}{(3) (209) \pi (0.038) (0.0012) (0.132)}$$

$$k_E = 479 \text{ lb/in}$$

Section 3.9: Determination of the static pressure which will cause bottoming of the DPF piston.

$$\Delta P = \frac{k_E X_p}{A_1}$$
= $\frac{(479 \text{ lb/in}) (\pm 0.26 \text{ in})}{(0.1295)}$
= $\pm 960 \text{ psi}$

The Moog servosystem analyzer was programmed to simulate the enginestage structure characteristics of the Saturn S-IVB TVC and the 17-204 actuator according to the current nominal parameters which are listed in Figure A. Step and frequency response data were taken and are presented in Figures A and AA respectively.

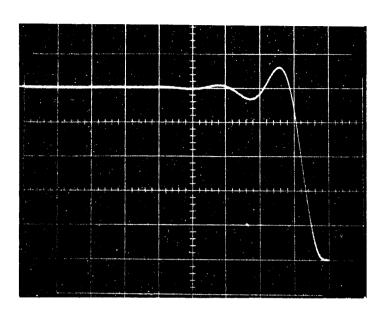


FIGURE A

Moog Model 17-204 Servoactuator

Analog Computer Simulation of:

Engine Position Response to Step Command

All System Parameters Nominal as Follows:

Drive - Load Resonant Frequency = ω_E = 40.0 rad/sec

Structure - Load Resonant Frequency = ω_s = 43.0 rad/sec

Drive - Load Damping Ratio = $\zeta_e = 0$

Position Loop Gain = K_{vx} = 14.25 sec⁻¹

Dynamic Pressure Loop Gain = K_{vp} (DPF) = 20.4 sec⁻¹

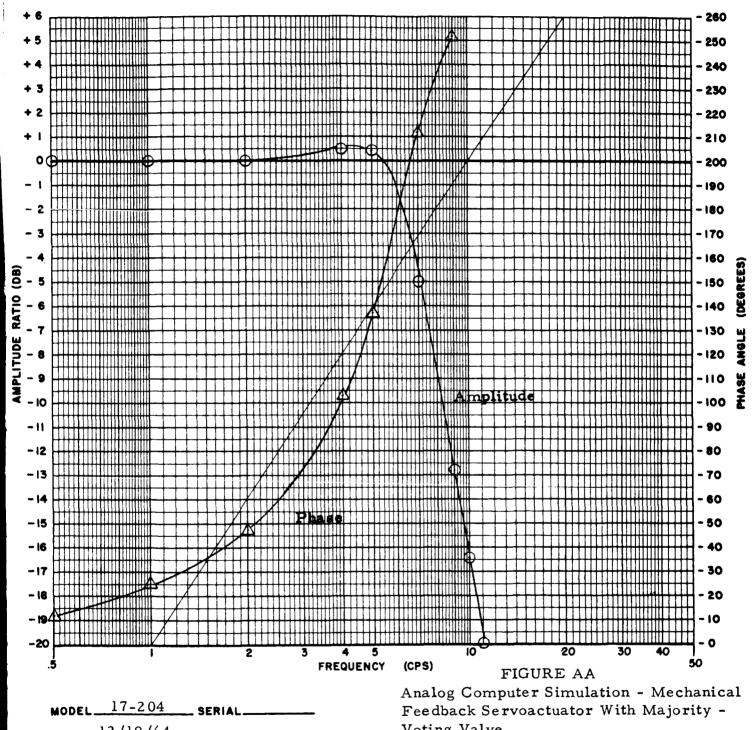
DPF Time Constant = τ_{Ω} = 0.132 sec at ± 200 psi load ΔP

Servovalve Dynamics: Second Order with a Resonant Frequency of 50 cps and a damping ratio of 1.0

Feedback From Piston Position

Single Sweep at 0.1 sec/cm

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MODEL	17-204	SERIAL	
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SYSTEM PRESSURE	.PSI
INPUT SIGNAL Command (81) MA.	P- P)
OUTPUT Engine Position (g)	

Voting Valve.

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All parameters as listed on Figure A

